

Regular Meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas February 23rd 1911.
The Council was called to order by the Mayor: Roll Called:
Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell 4
Absent Councilman Gracy. 1

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and approved.

The Mayor laid before the Council the Paving ordinance which was read the third time.

Paving Ordinance

Councilman Bartholomew moved to amend same by striking out in Section 9 the following " Provided that said sale need not be made at the same time as tax sales" . Councilman Gracy entered the Council chamber .

The amendment was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

The ordinance was then passed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council a petition from the Austin Street Railway Co asking permission to put up a Booth at the corner of 6th street and Congress Avenue, which was read and laid over .

*Petition Austin
Street Rail Road
To erect Booth*

The Mayor moved to re-consider the resolution by which the Budget for 1911 was adopted, which motion prevailed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

The Mayor stated that the reason for the re-consideration was that under the Charter the Budget must be read on three several days before final passage, and as it was finally passed upon the day it was submitted it was desired to re-consider so as to perfect the resolution.

*Budget 1911-
reconsidered*

On motion the rule was suspended and the resolution placed on its second reading by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5
Nays none.

The resolution was then read the second time and laid over.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:
That the following grades be and the same are hereby established as the permanent grades of West Avenue from 12th to 16th street . Elevations are taken from the fire hydrant at the N W Corner of 15th street and West Avenue; Assumed elevation 197.36

*Street Grades
West Avenue 12th to 16th*

Center of 12th street	137.77	unchanged
75 feet North of 12th street	135.59	"
100 ft " " " "	135.79	"
150 ft " " " "	136.39	"
200 ft " " " "	137.39	"
250 ft " " " "	138.69	"
300 ft " " " "	140.19	"
North side of 13th street	144.54	"
25 feet North of 13th street	145.74	"
South side of alley between 13 & 14th streets	152.05	"

North side of alley between 13th & 14th Streets 153.75 Fill .50'
 North side of alley between 14th & 15th streets 151.30 Cut .54'
 Greatest cut between last two points 2.35' at

South side of 14th street

25 feet North of alley between 14th & 15th streets 153.20 Cut 34'
 53 " " " " " 14th & 15th streets 154.50 " .50'
 75 " " " " " 14th & 15th " 156.44 " .30'
 25 feet South of 15th street 157.60 " 64'
 South side of 15th street 155.80 " .59'
 South side of 16th street 206.57 Unchanged

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

On motion of Councilman Bartholomew, the claim of B W Randolph

for damages to wagon and Harness, caused by team running away, being scared by Blasting by City Employees, amounting to \$ 15.30, was allowed by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Maggie

M Anderson, stating that her House had been damaged from Blasting by some of the City's employees, and filing bills, one to O L Albright for \$ 2.50 and one from C M Miller for \$ 2.50.

On motion the Bills were allowed and ordered paid by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none. Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the act of the City Council by resolution adopted February 9th, 1911, exempting for the period of one year Capitol Lodge No 23, I O O F of the City of Austin, from the requirements of the ordinance heretofore made to build a sidewalk on the north side of its property on the corner of east ninth and Brazos streets in this City, be and the same is hereby set aside, cancelled and annulled.

The resolution was read and laid over.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the sum of one hundred and seventy five (\$ 175.00) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the cost and damage fund of the street appropriation fund, for the purpose of paying to W B Walker damages incurred by sidewalk construction ordered at his place on the corner of east ninth and Trinity streets in this City.

The expenditures under this appropriation and work to be done, if said W. B Walker will not accept said \$ 175.00 in full of all damages, are to be made under the supervision of the Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew & Hart 3

*Claim B W Randolph
for damages. allowed*

*Claim Maggie Anderson
for damages. allowed*

*Resolution sidewalk
Capitol Lodge & Co. at
repealed*

*App. to pay W B Walker
damages. allowed*

Nays Councilmen Gracy & Powell 2

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Saturday February 24th 1911.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present except Councilman Gracy.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

Whereas an erroneous assessment of taxes on the personal property of the Eagle Loan Co, for the year 1908 was made by the ^{tax} Assessor, in that a sum of \$ 2,500.00 in ~~tax~~ credits was assessed in Austin, after same had been assessed and paid in Bexar Co Texas, the head quarters of the said Eagle Loan Co, as affidavits on file with the City Council will show, and

Whereas the Eagle Loan Co agrees and is willing to pay the sum of \$ 10.34 for taxes rendered for the year 1908, which is sufficient to pay the amount justly due. Therefore, Be it resolved that the sum of \$ 10.34 be accepted from the said company as the full amount due the City of Austin, and that said erroneous assessment is hereby corrected by striking from the Assessment rolls the \$ 2,500.00 assessed and levied as credits of the Eagle Loan Company, for the year 1908.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Gracy 1

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Ed Johnson, asking the Council to refund to him an amount of \$ 7.50 paid by him on a fine assessed against his Wife in the Recorders court. ~~The Council refused to~~ The Council refused to grant the request by the following vote :

Yeas Councilman Powell 1

Nays Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy & Hart 4

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Whereas on the 23rd day of April 1910, a man by the name of Steve Wilson was arrested by the Police for being drunk and sleeping in a public place, and upon trial of the cause pleaded guilty and was fined \$ 1.00 and costs, aggregating the sum of \$ 10.80 ; that the man was a resident of Bastrop County, had come to the City to purchase necessities for his family, because intoxicated spent his money, and when fined had no means to pay his fine.

A friend and relative, a poor man working for wages, paid the fine. The man fined is very poor with a wife and six children, and I am informed has a hard time to support his family. The man who paid the fine is also a man of family and does not make more than enough to support them by his daily labor. The man fined is not addicted to drinking and I am informed has not drank since.

Under this statement of facts I feel that the ends of the law have been satisfied, and that it would be a humane act to refund to this family the amount of this fine and Costs; Therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That said fine and costs against the said Steve Wilson be and the same is hereby remitted, and the City Clerk is authorized and directed to draw a warrant for said \$ 10.80 to refund said amount.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Assessment Eagle Loan Co. reduced

Ed Johnson
To remit fine

Fine Steve Wilson
remitted

*Fine D. H. Deats
remitted*

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution :

Whereas, in Sept last, T H Deats plead guilty in the Corporation Court to being drunk and asleep in a public place. He admits his guilt and does not complain of the action of the Court, but he assures me, and I am also assured by others, that he has abstained from drink since that time.

He further assures me that he has been sick for a long time, has been unable to work, has a family to support, and that the sum of \$ 10.00, which was the amount of fine and cost assessed against him, would materially help his family at this time; Therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That as the requirements of the law have been accomplished and the needs of the family of the said Deats would to some extent be alleviated by the remission of said fine and cost, it is therefore ordered that the same be and is hereby remitted, and the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to draw a warrant payable to said Deats for said sum of \$ 10.00, the amount of said fine and cost.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Woolbridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell 4

Absent Councilman Gracy 1

The Council then recessed subject to call of the Mayor.

Tuesday February 28th 1911.

The Council was called to order by the Mayor with all members present.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the Superintendent of Streets and Public Improvements is hereby instructed to contract for the paving with Bitulithic pavement of the following named parts of streets and alleys in the City of Austin, Texas:

Streets

Fifth street from Colorado street on the West to Trinity street on the East.

Seventh street from Colorado street on the West to Brazos street on the East.

Eighth street from Congress Avenue to Brazos street.

Ninth street from Colorado street on the West to Brazos street on the East.

Tenth street from Colorado street on the West to Brazos street on the East.

West Sixth street from San Antonio street to West Avenue.

Alleys.

The alley next West of Congress Avenue between 6th & 7th streets.

The Alley next East of Congress Avenue between 6th & 7th streets.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Woolbridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Gracy, Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

Section 1. That the Primary Election on March 20th A D , 1911, and the

*Sup't Streets instructed
to Contract
for paving
with Bitulithic
pavement.*

. General Election on April 3rd, A D, 1911, in the City of Austin, shall be held in the following named places, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Judges and Clerks respectively of said elections at the respective places hereinafter designated, viz:

(1) For the first Ward, the place of election shall be the South Austin Fire Hall, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

P L Richards, Presiding Judge

Ed C Good, Assistant Judge.

John Wende, Assistant Judge.

J W Blattner, Clerk

Geo P Searight, Clerk

M H Benson, Clerk.

(2) For the second Ward, the place of election shall be the Carrolton House, 216 West 6th street, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

C E Anderson Sr, Presiding Judge

V O Wood, Assistant Judge,

Joe Harbisch, Assistant Judge

C E Bredie, Clerk

James Perry, Clerk

W W Harris, Clerk

(3) For the Third Ward, the place of election shall be the City Hall, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

J Gregg Hill, Presiding Judge.

W L Vining, Assistant Judge

W G Bell, Assistant Judge

Pat Daniel, Clerk

H M Little, Clerk

W D Shelley, Clerk.

(4th) For the Fourth Ward, the place of election shall be Velz's Store, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election.:

Geo W Mendell Jr, Presiding Judge

N A Rector, Assistant Judge

W B Wertham, Assistant Judge

J W Maxwell, Clerk

Ralph Huddington, Clerk

W B Harper, Clerk.

(5) For the Fifth Ward, the place of election shall be Wellmer's Store, and the following named persons are appointed Officers of said election:

S E Kinney, Presiding Judge

Frank Doughty, Assistant Judge

Theo Reissner, Assistant Judge

J T W Goslin, Clerk

Louis Kreisle, Clerk

Wm Wellmer, Clerk.

(6) For the Sixth Ward the place of election shall be the County Court House, and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

Jeff Johnson, Presiding Judge

*Judges & Clerks of
Election of Council*

✓ . R P Bull ,Assistant Judge
 Pat Malone ,Assistant Judge

Ham Reilly ,Clerk

W J McNamara,Clerk

Jim Clinefeldter,Clerk

(7) For the seventh Ward,the place of election shall be Walker's Residence.,and the following named persons are hereby appointed Officers of said election:

H A Turner,Presiding Judge

N B Metz,Assistant Judge

H A Herzog ,Assistant Judge

Geo. S Dwell,Clerk

Henry Wukaseh,Clerk

Jim H Cummings,Clerk,

Section 2 . That the Judges and Clerks ,above named shall serve for a period of two years and until their successors are appointed,unless sooner removed,and shall conduct all elections held for municipal purposes within the City Of Austin during said time.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge,Councilmen Bartholomew,Gracy,Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

Councilman Hart moved that the fine and sentence against Joe Watkins, a boy 15 or 16 years old rendered in the Corporation Court,be suspended until further orders of the Council,which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Weeldridge,Councilmen Bartholomew,Gracy,Hart & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Council then adjourned.

Geo. C. Luvon
 City Clerk.

*Fine Joe Watkins
 remitted*